

THOROUGHbred STOCK BREEDERS ASSOCIATION IS ORGANIZED TODAY

First National Bank is Host at Dinner at Which Leading Stockmen of County are Guests.

BUSINESS IS BOOSTED

Breeders Form Association to Promote Development of Fine Stock Industry in Linn County; Many Attend

Seventy-five of the leading breeders of thoroughbred stock and poultry of Linn county were guests of the First National Bank at a banquet today at the St. Francis hotel and organized the first thoroughbred breeders association of Linn County.

A. C. Schmitt, presided at the meeting. The organization is to be known as the Linn County Breeders Association. A constitution was adopted and the following officers were elected:

Hon Frank Potter, of Halsey, president; Ed School, of North Albany, vice president; County Agent S. V. Smith, secretary and A. C. Schmitt, treasurer. A committee on by-laws comprises County Agent S. V. Smith, R. C. Burkhardt, J. B. Cornett, Chas. Ashton and H. J. McInnes, was appointed.

The annual meeting is to be held each year during the last week of December. All breeders in attendance joined the organization and will now boost for a greater Linn county in the development of the best grade of livestock and poultry.

The annual dues were placed at \$2 per year with the plan of using the funds to publish a Linn county directory of Linn County breeders and there-by boost for the county as a whole.

The object of the association is primarily to advertise the stock breeders of the county, to hold auction sales of thorough bred stock and to give the man who has a small herd of stock a chance and to encourage the boys of the farms to raise thorough bred stock.

Prof. Potter, of the O. A. C., O. M. Plumer, manager of the International Stock Show at Portland and the editors of the Western Breeders Association publication, O. D. Mulligan, and E. A. Rhoten, editor of the Pacific Homestead were speakers from out of the county who spoke in favor of the organization and set forth many advantages of such an association.

Every breeder present was called on to stand up and speak in behalf of his line of stock and give his name and address which was cheerfully responded to, and, to the surprise of many in attendance plainly demonstrated that Linn County is on the map as the leading county of the state in the stock line.

NEW CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE—Beautiful dwelling at 615 E. 1st St., pavement, paid for. This house is plastered throughout, has electric lights, bath, fire place. Can give immediate possession. Price \$2750.00, pay us \$500 down in cash or bonds, \$25.00 per month. Beam Land Co., 133 Lyon Street. 30d31

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red Cockerals from good laying strain. Your choice for \$1.50, this week only. Mrs. A. Eason, Phone 13F14. d30-j1*

FOR SALE—1918 Ford touring car. A bargain at \$425 cash. See W. Page, 301 Main St., d30j1* FOR RENT—Furnished sleeping rooms with heat. Also a garage, 208 East 6th St. d30j5*

WANTED—A woman to take charge of lunch room. Hours from 11:30 a. m. to 3: p. m. Apply Mrs. Holmes in basement Hamilton's Store. d30-j1

GAME COMMISSION MUST GO, SAYS BEN

Present Body Causes Wrangles and Squabbles, Declares Governor

SALEM, Or.—Regardless of whether the legislature, at its special session here in January, creates two commissions to handle the game and fish affairs of the state, the present members of the commission are doomed to removal, according to a lengthy statement issued by Governor Olcott yesterday.

In making his decision Governor Olcott said his contemplated action was solely in the interest of game and fish propagation, which under the present regime, he declares, is endangered by squabbles and bickerings which have caused dissatisfaction, distrust and lack of confidence.

As explained by the executive, if the legislature follows his recommendations and creates two commissions—one to handle the commercial fishing interests and the other to administer the affairs of hunters and anglers—the terms of the present commissioners will automatically expire. If, on the other hand, the legislature rejects the recommendations of the governor he will remove the present commissioners at the termination of the special session.

NAVAL AND ARMY COMMANDERS DIE

Rear Admiral Pillsbury and Major-Genl. Barry Pass away this Morning

BOSTON, Dec. 30—By A. P.—Rear-Admiral John E. Pillsbury, retired, dropped dead at his home here today.

Army Commander Dies WASHINGTON, Dec. 30—Major General Thomas H. Barry, retired, former commander of the central department of the U. S. Army, died in a hospital here this morning after a three weeks illness.

Watch Night To Be Observed at Methodist Church

An old-fashioned "Watch Night" service will be held in the First Methodist Episcopal church, corner Third and Ellsworth Sts., tomorrow evening, beginning at eight o'clock. The first two hours will be taken up with a program and social hour for old and young. Refreshments will be served by a committee of ladies. At eleven o'clock, there will be a praise service and addresses by the pastor and others, with a consecration service to close the old year and begin the new one. All members of the church are urged to attend and all friends are cordially invited.

Ratification Of Treaty Now Expected in Jan.

PARIS, Dec. 30—A. P. Hopes have again been raised in Supreme Council circles of an early exchange of ratifications of the treaty of Versailles. The end of the first week in January is given now as the probable date when the treaty will become effective.

HOW PAPERS ARE MADE

Starting in the Kickless Colyum today on the editorial page is a little serial on the daily routine in the Democrat office. Although written in a humorous vein it rather depicts the life in a newspaper office as it is lived by the Democrat force and carries the reader through the process of making a daily paper. The reader is taken into confidence and the little ups and downs that occur in the hasty process of turning out a daily newspaper are revealed. Get interested and follow this series through and you will know all about how a newspaper is made omitting a few blue words emitted by the force at intervals.

FIRST COUNT SHOWS THAT MOST PEOPLE FAVOR ADOPTION OF THE PEACE TREATY IN PRESENT FORM

SENTIMENT AS EXPRESSED IN BALLOTS SENT TO DEMOCRAT OFFICE INDICATE PUBLIC SENTIMENT FAVORS PRESIDENT'S STAND BY TWO TO ONE.

Judging from the first few votes cast on the peace treaty question by the people of Albany and Linn county, nearly two to one of the people favor the adoption of the peace treaty as it was presented to the Senate by President Wilson.

Evidently the people believe that the six months struggle over the details of the settlement of the great war, as arrived at by the representatives of the allied powers at Versailles is as good as could be obtained under the circumstances and are willing to let it go at that. They are taking the word of President Wilson and Ex-president Taft and hundreds of other unbiased Americans of all shades of political beliefs that the treaty contains nothing detrimental to the United States, and that this country owes something to mankind across the waters in keeping the world safe for democracy in years to come.

The ballots clipped from the Democrat and returned to this office, show that 26 people favor question No. 1, which calls for a compromise and the adoption of the treaty. Six persons voted for question No. 2, which favors the adoption of the treaty only with the Lodge amendments and reservations. On question No. 3, there were 52 people who voted in favor of accepting the treaty without amendments or reservations whatever in the form in which the president sent it to the senate. On question No. 4, which is opposed to the ratification of the treaty in any form, but three people voted. It is believed that these votes were cast in ignorance, for it is difficult to see why anyone should favor the abandonment of the treaty in any form and leaving this country in a technical state of war with Germany.

leaving unsettled the various economic conditions which would ensue.

The vote was taken at the request of the League to Enforce Peace, of which Ex-president William H. Taft is chairman, and is for the purpose of getting an expression of the people of the United States as to what they think of the treaty. This expression will probably be considered in the final fight over the treaty.

There seems to be no question but that the treaty will be adopted in some form or other during the coming session of congress, but after several months of hard fighting in the Senate no agreement was reached at the session just closed because the question developed into a political battle and neither the Republicans nor the Democrats, and members of both parties supporting the president would give in.

If you have not yet voted it is your privilege, if not a duty, to express your views on this subject. Whether you are for the treaty or against it makes no difference. Clip the coupon from another page of today's Democrat, mark X after the form in which you wish to see the treaty adopted and mail it to this office at once. Be sure to sign your name and address to insure a genuine ballot. It is preferred that only legal voters make an expression, although there is nothing to prevent anyone from voting. Many women have voted up to the present time.

In order to bring the vote to a close the time limit will be placed for Saturday evening, January 3. Send in your vote before that time. The final result will be published, and later the result of this straw vote as compiled all over the United States will be given out.

JERSEYS AVERAGE \$300 PER HEAD MRS. G. F. SIMPSON CALLED BY DEATH

J. A. Brown Sells Fine Stock to Umatilla County Creamery

J. A. Brown, of Fayetteville was in the city today and reports that he recently sold 15 head of his older jersey cows and a bull to the Stanfield Creamery Company, of Umatilla county for \$4,800, which is an average of \$300 each.

Mr. Brown is among the leading Jersey breeders of the county and is eminently successful in his line. That Linn county and the state at large is coming to the front in many ways and is destined to become a great state in this respect is evident. On this subject Judge G. T. Baldwin, of Klamath, who has recently returned from an extended trip in the east has this to say:

"To my way of thinking, Oregon is the best state in the Union," said Judge G. T. Baldwin, of Klamath Falls, who has returned from an extended trip through the east and middle west, during which he attended the Chicago International Livestock exposition and visited St. Paul, New York, St. Louis and other large cities.

"The Chicago International Livestock exposition, while larger than that of the Pacific International Livestock exposition, showed no finer stock," he continued. "In fact, the stock which went from the Northwest to the Chicago show carried off many honors.

"George English of Prineville purchased a black Poll Angus two-year-old heifer and a carload of cattle of the same breed for his ranch. M. Biggs of Prineville also bought stock of the Shorthorn breed for his farm. These herds in central Oregon will be a boon to farmers and cattle men of that locality, as they may obtain their thoroughbred stock from these two breeders."

Prominent Pioneer Crosses Great Divide at Home in This City

Mrs. Mary A. Simpson, wife of the late George F. Simpson, and one of the pioneers of Linn County, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Robson, at 8:45 last night, after an illness of two and one half years.

Mrs. Simpson's maiden name was Nanney, and she was born in 1839 at Bowling Green, Kentucky, the daughter of Abner Nanney. In 1852, the family crossed the plains to Oregon. Upon her marriage in 1858, to George A. Simpson, she settled in Linn County, which has been her home ever since.

To Mr. and Mrs. Simpson were born four children, William Simpson and Mrs. John Robson, of Portland; Frank Simpson, of California, and Miss Eva Simpson of Seattle. One sister, Mrs. Rebecca Shearer, lives in Albany, and two brothers, Clinton and John Nanney, live in California.

Funeral services will be held at the family home, 129 West Seventh St., and will be conducted by the Rev. J. C. Spencer, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mrs. Simpson had been a life-long member.

Her earnest Christian life, and her faithfulness to her church duties and privileges are known throughout the city, and, while her many friends mourn her going and sympathize with her children in their loss, yet all realize that a faithful soul has gone to her reward.

Well to Be Sunk Charles Soule, president of the Oregon Petroleum Company, of Lacombe, Saturday looking after business. He says that the storm has stopped all work of the company in drilling for oil. But as soon as the weather clears up work will be renewed in the derrick and getting machinery to the point where the first well will be sunk. —Lebanon Critician

GEO. W. CARRELL HEADS G. A. R. POST

Officers for Coming Year Are Chosen at Recent Meeting

Last Saturday at a regular meeting of McPherson Post No. 5 G. A. R., the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

Commander, Geo. W. Carrel; Senior vice commander, A. H. Simpson; Junior vice commander, R. Richardson; Quartermaster, E. F. Sox; Chaplain, W. P. Small; Officer of the day, Robert Barrachman; Officer of the guard, W. S. Linn; Surgeon, Dr. Joseph Meyer; Adjutant, Cyrus H. Walker; Patriotic instructor, Maxwell Phillips; Q. M. Sergeant, Charles Sexover; Sergeant Major, C. J. Lawson. Saturday, January 10, 1920, a joint installation of officers McPherson Post and Ladies of Fair Oaks Circle No. 1, will be held at the Armory Hall.

Oregon Building Club House

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—The old Oregon building at the Panama Pacific International Exposition grounds here, will be equipped as a clubhouse for enlisted men at the Presidio if the receipts of a big military masque ball, planned for New Years eve, are sufficient.

POLAND'S ARMY GUARDS BORDER

Barrier Erected Against Westward Spread of Bolshevism

ROME, Dec. 30—By A. P.—Poland has her entire army marshalled along the Russian frontier to form a barrier against the western spread of Bolshevism, according to an interview with cardinal Karkawski, Archbishop of Warsaw, in the Corriere D' Italia.

Appeal Made to Pope

ROME, Dec. 29—(Delayed) — Poland, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia and Hungary have appealed to Pope Benedict to obtain reparation for about 200,000 of their subjects who have been prisoners of war in Siberia and still remain there. They are represented as suffering from severe hardships.

Machine Delayed Dog Licenses To Wait a Few Days

County clerk R. M. Russell reports that he is receiving a large number of applications for dog licenses from various parts of the county, but owing to an error in not receiving a stamping machine for placing the numbers on the collar no licenses will be issued before the last of the week. The clerk states that the prospects are good for business along this line. The present law demands that every dog owner shall have a license number and collar placed on the dog. The annual fee is one dollar.

FOOT BALL GAME BY QUARTERS

Owing to the intense interest manifested in all parts of the country over the Oregon-Harvard foot ball game which will be played at Pasadena on New Years Day, the Democrat will follow its usual practice of receiving special advice on the big event and will bulletin the result of the game as it is played by quarters in front of the Democrat office. The game will start at 2:30 and the first quarter should be over by 3 o'clock, perhaps sooner. The game is played in four 15 minute quarters, with two minutes between each quarter and 10 minutes rest between halves. It takes nearly two hours to play the usual big game, but owing to the speed of the two opposing elevens, their perfect physical condition and the dry field it is possible that this contest will be played faster, barring, of course, time out for injuries to players.

COUNTY AGENT IS PRINCIPAL TOPIC BEFORE MEETING OF COURT TODAY

Firey Session Indulged in With Speakers Rapping Both Sides of Question at Budget Meeting Today.

WOULD CRUISE TIMBER

Proposal is Made to Have County make official cruise of Timber for Purposes of Taxation.

The cruising of the timber resources in private hands in Linn County for the purpose of taxation was advocated today at the annual meeting to hear objections to the county budget held in the county court room of the court house this afternoon.

What was perhaps the largest group of men who ever attended a budget hearing in Linn County was present today. The entire attendance at the prebred livestock meeting at the St. Francis hotel adjourned and went to the court house in a body.

Arguments were made for and against the cruising of the timber and some good reasons were advanced by supporters of both sides of the question. The court will take the matter under advisement.

The next matter to claim the attention of the court the matter of employing a county agent to be paid for out of the county funds. The county agent who has been serving in Linn County for the last two years was paid the county's share of his expense out of private funds, and it is claimed by persons subscribing to this fund that it is unjust on them to expect them to carry the burden.

The county agent's salary is paid for in equal parts by the U. S. department of agriculture, the state of Oregon and the county. The appropriation asked for in Linn County is \$2,000. The members of the court have held that they were loaded up to the limit on the budget and did not see how they could squeeze in another \$2,000. The delegation who waited on the court today endeavored to show that body how they could either make this appropriation or cut out something else.

Many leading men of the county appeared in favor of the county's employing an agriculturalist, and a petition recently circulated had about 75 per cent of the county's assessed valuation represented on it.

At press time the meeting was still in progress with the county agent as the subject. The budget as presented to the taxpayers calls for \$448,923 to run the county government next year. The court was open to receive criticisms or complaints.

NORMAN HAPGOOD TO ANSWER SLAM

U. S. Minister to Denmark Resigns to Answer National Magazine

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30—By A. P.—The announcement was made at the White House today that Norman Hapgood, whose appointment as minister to Denmark was not confirmed by the Senate, had tendered his resignation two weeks ago with the request that it be accepted quickly so that he could answer to charges made by Harvey's Weekly that he had sought financial assistance from this country for Russian Soviet authorities. The resignation was accepted.

From Lebanon—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Keebler and daughter, Eva, are in the city today visiting their daughter and sister Maybelle Keebler of the Democrat office. Albany Shoppers—Mrs. Roy Fitzwater, Mrs. Robert Wallace and Mrs. Byron Nichols of Lebanon are shopping in Albany today.